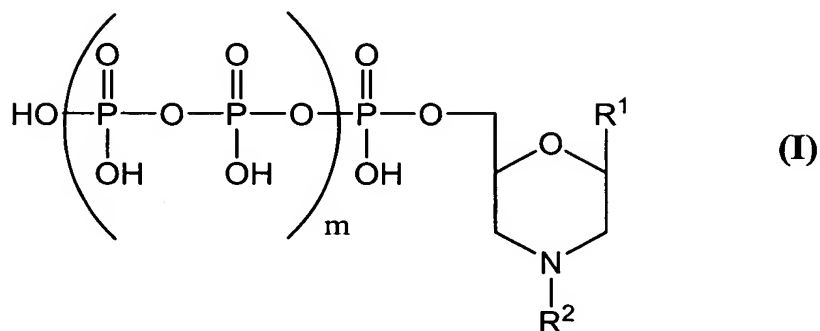


That which is claimed is:

1. A morpholino-nucleotide of formula I:



wherein  $\text{R}^1$  represents a nucleic base,  $m$  is 0 or 1, and  $\text{R}^2$  is selected from the group consisting of:

- |                                   |                                 |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| - $(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{-NH}_2$   | - $(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{-SH}$   |
| - $(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{-COOH}$   | - $(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{-OH}$   |
| - $(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{-NH-R}^3$ | - $(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{-SR}^3$ |
| - $(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{-CO-R}^3$ | - $(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{-OR}^3$ |
- and

in which  $n$  is an integer ranging from 1 to 12 and  $\text{R}^3$  is selected from the group consisting of a label, a protein, an enzyme, a fatty acid, and a peptide.